

Remarks

Claims 1-8 and 10-37 are pending in the application, claims 12-23 and 25-29 of which are withdrawn from consideration, and claim 11 of which is indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

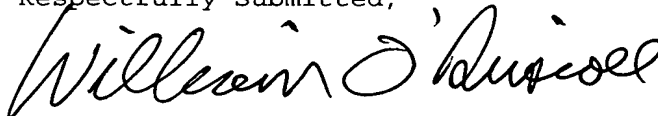
Applicant has rewritten claim 1 to reflect a combination of original claims 1, 3 and 11, this combination having been indicated to be allowable.

Similar amendments have been made to independent claims 24, 30 and 34 to specify that the heat recovery device extracts and/or transfers heat sequentially between the bathroom exhaust airflow path, the return airflow path and to the outside air path, and vice versa. It is believed that the amendments to these claims capture the essence of what the Examiner has indicated to be allowable, and that all claims in the application are novel and patentable in view of the prior art of record.

Relative to the rejection of claims 1-8, 10, 11, 12 and 30-37 under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, the applicant has deleted the word "safe" in claims 1, 24, 30 and 34. This amendment is believed to overcome the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. Section 112.

With the foregoing remarks and amendments, the issues raised in the Office Action are believed to be overcome. Should applicant have failed to address an issue, the Examiner is requested to contact applicant's representative at the number below.

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